

request generating means, connected over a network to the one or more server means, for generating a request for allocation of a time interval for one or more of the plurality of invitees;

busy time determination means for gathering the profiles for the plurality of invitees that were requested by the request generating means and that are available in the databases and determining whether those invitees are available during the time interval requested by the request generating means; [and]

means for scheduling the meeting by using the electronic mail address in the profile to send each available requested invitee an invitation to attend at the requested time interval; and automatically updating the invitee's profile based on the invitee's response to the invitation.

SUB (2) 5. (Amended) A system for scheduling time intervals for a plurality of users comprising: one or more databases, associated with one more servers, which store a profile for each potential invitee of the system, the invitee profiles comprising user profiles wherein each user profile comprises information regarding available and unavailable times for that user and the electronic mail address for the user;

one or more user workstations, connected over a network to the servers, operating a calendaring system that permits a user to request allocation of a time interval for one or more of the plurality of invitees;

wherein the calendaring system gathers the profiles for the one or more requested invitees that are available in the databases and determines whether those invitees are available during the requested time interval; [and]

wherein the calendaring system invites the invitees using the electronic mail address stored in the profile for the invitee; and

automatically updates the invitee's profile based on the invitee's response to the invitation.

6. (Amended) A process for scheduling time intervals for a plurality of users comprising:
storing a profile for each potential invitee of the system on a database associated with one or more network servers, the invitee profiles comprising user profiles wherein each user profile comprises information regarding available and unavailable times for that user and the electronic mail address for the user;

receiving a request for allocation of a time interval for one or more of the plurality of invitees from a remote workstation over a network at the one or more servers;

gathering the profiles for the one or more requested invitees that are available in the databases;

determining whether those invitees are available during the requested time interval; [and]

inviting the available invitees to attend at the requested time interval using the electronic mail address stored in the profile for those invitees; and

automatically updating the invitee's profile based on the invitee's response to the invitation.

7. (Amended) A [computer] processor usable medium having [computer] processor readable [program] code [means] embodied therein for enabling group calendaring between a plurality of users on a computer system, the system comprising a database, associated with one or more servers, which stores a profile for each potential invitee of the system, the invitee profiles comprising user profiles wherein each user profile comprises information regarding available and unavailable times for that user and the electronic mail address for the user, the computer readable program code means in said computer usable medium comprising:

[computer] processor readable [program] code [means] for causing a server to receive a request for allocation of a time interval for one or more of the plurality of invitees;

[computer] processor readable [program] code [means] for causing the server to gather the profiles for the one or more requested invitees;

[computer] processor readable [program] code [means] for causing a computer to determine whether those invitees are available during the requested time interval; [and]